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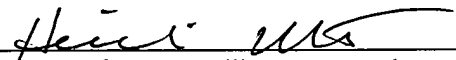
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tsuyoshi Tokusumi et al. Art Unit: 1648
Serial No.: 09/702,498 Examiner: Shanon A. Foley
Filed: October 31, 2000 Customer No.: 21559
Title: PARAMYXOVIRUS VECTORS USED FOR TRANSFER OF
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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND
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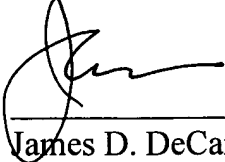
Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 20, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-4, 8, 9, and 23-25 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including November 20, 2003.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$165.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) for this Notice of Appeal. If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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